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Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of rtime to respond to the Official Action of April 18, 2006 for three months to October 18, 2006.

Please charge the extension fee of \$1,020 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. If this fee is insufficient, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension fee to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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